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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action of March 23, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on June 23, 2004, and for which a Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently herewith, setting the period to expire August 23, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.